

**THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.**

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000  
CAPITAL PAID-UP £251,093.15.0

**BANKERS:**  
CAPITAL & COUNTRIES BANK, LIMITED.  
HEAD OFFICE:  
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

**BRANCHES:**  
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

**AGENCIES:**  
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

**RATES OF INTEREST:**  
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS AND Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application.  
Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

**CHARTREY INCHBALD,**  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [210]

**THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.**

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,000,000  
SUBSCRIBED £2,185,000

**BANKERS:**  
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—  
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.  
" 6 ".....4 " "  
" 3 ".....3 " "

**JOHN THURBURN,**  
Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [20]

**THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.**

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000  
RESERVE FUND £800,000  
HOLDERS' SHARE £275,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS for 12 months.....5 per cent.  
" 6 ".....4 " "  
" 3 ".....3 " "

**A. C. MARSHALL,**  
Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 17th May, 1894. [503]

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.**

Authorized Capital £1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—  
Chow Tung Shing, Esq.,  
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.,  
H. Stollenhoff, Esq.,  
Kwan Hoi Chun, Esq.,  
Choi Manager,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

**BANKERS:**  
The Commercial Bank of Scotland,  
Parra Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

Interest on 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.  
Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [17]

**Auctions.**

**FOR SALE,**  
**THE KUDAT SUGAR ESTATE.**

THE Resident, acting under instructions from the executors of the late Dr. CHAPMAN, will, on the 1st July next, Sell by **PUBLIC AUCTION,** at the COURT HOUSE, KUDAT, the whole of the Property known as **DR. CHAPMAN'S SUGAR ESTATE,** (situated within 3 miles of Kudat), together with all House, Coolies, and Machinery on the Land at the time of Sale, Cattle Cars and heavy crop of Cane now standing. The Property consists of 44 acres 3 rods (of which 20 acres are planted) and is intersected by the main road from Kudat. This being a GOING CONCERN and only placed in the Market owing to the death of the late Owner, is well worth the consideration of Sugar Planters.

Kudat, 5th May, 1894. [610]

**TO BE SOLD**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
**THE VICTORIA COFFEE ESTATE.**  
The Property of the late P. CHRISTIAN, Esq.

THIS Estate, which is situated within 3 miles of the Port of Kudat, British North Borneo, comprises in all 500 acres of the finest Coffee Land, 100 acres being cleared and having 25 acres of Coffee in bearing. There is a good Sugar Cane and Coolie-sheds on the Estate, also a Capital Stream of Water, suitable for Pumping Machinery, running through the land, and the main road from Kudat passes through the centre of the Property.

The whole of the above Property will be sold by Public Auction, without reserve, on 1st July, 1894, at Kudat.

For further particulars, apply to **THE RESIDENT,** Kudat. [145]

**THE STANDARD ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.**

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—  
(a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.  
(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.  
(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.  
(d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application, **DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,** Agents, **STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.**  
Hongkong, 8th August, 1891. [747]

**THE TOKYO MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

HEAD OFFICE:—TOKIO, JAPAN.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,200,000  
CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$ 600,000  
GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE.....\$ 400,000

RESERVE FUND, 30th June, 1893.....\$ 548,551  
SPECIAL RESERVE, Do.....\$ 134,997

TOTAL RESERVE.....\$ 683,548

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES.  
For the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, K. FUKUI, Manager.  
Hongkong, 19th April, 1894. [485]

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED**

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1893. [180]

**GENERAL NOTICE.**

**THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).**

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000.....\$833,333.33  
EQUAL TO.....\$318,000.00  
RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000.00

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**  
LEE SING, Esq., LO YUEN MOON, Esq.,  
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

**MANAGER—HO AMEL.**

**MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken** at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1881. [674]

**Intimations.**

**WANTED.**

**PHOTOGRAPHIC CAMERA,** 5 by 4 or 4 by 3 Plate, in good condition. Apply by letter giving particulars and price to **"CAMERA,"** c/o Carmichael & Co., Praya.  
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1894. [609]

**NOTICE.**

"THE GAP BUFFET" at the TRAMWAY UPPER TERMINUS will OPEN on MONDAY next, the 1st instant.  
**KATHERINE JUNGBLUTH.**  
Hongkong, 12th May, 1894. [376]

**G. FALCONER & CO.,**  
WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS AND JEWELLERS,  
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.  
No. 44, Queen's Road Central. [693]

**CHS. J. GAUPP & CO.,**  
CHRONOMETER, WATCH, AND CLOCK-MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER-SMITHS, AND OPTICIANS.  
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.  
Sole Agents for Louis Audemars' Watches awarded the highest Prize at every Exhibition; and for Valentin and Sohn's CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES.  
MARINE GLASSES and SPYGLASSES.  
No. 8, Queen's Road Central. [694]

**LEVY HERMANOS.**  
JEWELLERY, DIAMONDS, WATCH, CHRONOMETER & CLOCKMAKERS.  
Sole Agents for PATHE FRERES & Co., Geneva. A great variety in Fancy Goods and Optical Instruments.

10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Opposite the Telegraph Office.  
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1894.

**Intimations.**

**THE HONGKONG HOTEL.**

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. The TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications. The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience. The WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied. HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

**R. TUCKER,**  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1892. [229]

**KELLY & WALSH, LD.**

**POPULAR TOBACCOS.**

TRAVELLER BRAND, in 4lb. Tins.  
PIONEER "do."  
THREE CASTLES, in 4 & 4lb. Tins.  
BIRD'S EYE "do."  
CAPTAIN BRAND "do."  
OGDEN'S VIRGINIA, in 4lb. Tins.  
OGDEN'S NAVY CUT "do."  
OGDEN'S BIRD'S EYE "do."

OGDEN'S SILVER VEIL, in 4lb. Tins.  
COPE'S BIRD'S EYE "do."  
COPE'S MUTUAL FRIEND "do."  
COPE'S PRAIRIE FLOWER "do."  
COPE'S BLEND "do."  
MOOSE HEAD TOBACCO, in 4lb. Tins.  
ST. LEGER SCROLL CUT TWIST "do."

IN HERMETICALLY SEALED TINS.  
PERFECTLY FRESH.

**KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.**  
Hongkong, 15th May, 1894. [6]

**W. BREWER.**

**JUST RECEIVED.**

**LOYD'S MODERN ARTILLERY.**  
Tanner's Index of Diseases.  
Seaton's Rules & Tables for Marine Engineers.  
Murray's Guide to Japan.  
Guide Australia and New Zealand.  
Tobacco—Kingdom of God within you.  
Smith's—Man the Primitive Savage.  
Stroncyer—Marine Boiler Management.  
Big Game Shooting—Badminton Liby.  
Middleton—Surveying & Surveying Instruments.  
Lineham—The Street of Human Habitations.  
Walker's Chess Studies.  
Lemaire—Indie Clubs.

**WHALL'S HANDY BOOK STARS.**  
Stanley Gibbon's Stamp Albums.  
Gibson's Stamp Catalogues.  
New Stock Chrysothrips for Window Decoration.  
Will's Capstan Tobacco.  
Marion's Photographic Dry Plates.  
New Photo Frames.  
French Book—Toilet Goods.  
Cash Boxes—Despatch Boxes.  
New Fine Art Goods.  
The Popular Game "Halma."

**W. BREWER,**  
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.  
Hongkong, 4th May, 1894. [40]

**CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.**

Electric Lighting throughout the Premises.

Telegraphic Address—"CENTRAL," SHANGHAI.

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

**COMMODOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.**  
**SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.**  
An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

**F. E. REILLY,**  
PROPRIETOR.  
Hongkong, 11th December, 1893. [41]

**DAWSON'S PERFECTION OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.**

**ALLISTON & CO.,** SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East,  
88, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 11th December, 1893. [41]

**LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.**

ICE CREAM FREEZERS, ICE CHIPPERS AND CHISELS,  
ICE CHESTS,  
ICE-WATER PITCHERS, ICE BOWLS, BUTTER COOLERS.

**FILTERS.**  
LEMON SQUEEZERS, LEMON JUICE EXTRACTORS.  
WIND-PROOF LAMPS, VERANDAH LAMPS, FUNKAH LAMPS.

**LANE CRAWFORD & CO.**  
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1894.

**Intimations.**

**NOTICE.**

**THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.**

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the FOURTH INSTALLMENT of CALL, amounting to FIVE SHILLINGS per SHARE on the ORDINARY SHARES of the BANK is DUE on the 1st June, 1894, and is PAYABLE at the OFFICE of the BANK, No. 4, QUEEN'S ROAD, either by demand Draft on London or in Local Currency equivalent.

**CHARTREY INCHBALD,**  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 22nd May 1894. [612]

**BANK HOLIDAY.**

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on FRIDAY, 25th instant, the day appointed in this Colony for the Celebration of the Anniversary of the BIRTHDAY of HER GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE QUEEN:—

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,  
A. C. MARSHALL,  
Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

For the COMPTON NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS,  
L. GLENAT,  
Acting Agent.

For the BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED, HONGKONG,  
CHARTREY INCHBALD,  
Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,  
Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,  
JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 18th May, 1894. [509]

**THE PHARMACY.**

**FLETCHER & Co.** Dispensing and Retail Chemists, Perfumers, Druggists, Sundries, and Patent Medicine Vendors.

**KEPLER'S MALT**.....per dozen, \$1.00  
**KEPLER'S MALT AND OIL**.....\$1.40  
**SCOTT'S EMULSION**.....\$1.00  
**SCOTT'S EMULSION**.....\$2.00

**TOILET ACCESSORIES:—**  
Perfume Bottles, Cut Crystal, Combs, Brushes, Sponges, Sponge Bags, Flesh Gloves and Bells.

**Perfumes:—**Pinard, Atkinson, Colgate, Rick-secker and Brown Perfumery Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1893. [28]

**"DERMATOL,"**  
MANUFACTURED BY FARBWERKE, Höchst a/M. Its effect in stimulating the closing up of WOUNDS, and in internal administration against diarrhoea, is described as amazing.

**D. R. KNORR'S**  
**ANTIPYRINE.**

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TROY.)

Is the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antipyretic recommended by the Medical Faculty. Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each tin bears the inventor's signature "D. R. KNORR" in red letters.

To be had at every reputed Chemist and Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export Import and Bank Company.

Beware of spurious imitations.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1894. [446]

**CHAMPAGNES.**

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for Messrs. ERNEST REY & Co.'s brands of Champagne at this Port and in China:—

**CARTE D'OR.**  
per 1 doz. qts. per 2 doz. pints, \$33  
\$33

**CARTE BLANCHE.**  
per 1 dozen quarts, per 2 dozen pints, \$30  
\$30

**CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,**  
Wine and Spirit Merchants.  
Hongkong, 21st May, 1894. [607]

**CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,**  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,  
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, LONDON AND GLASGOW.  
13, Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, 24th August, 1893. [56]

**HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.**  
OREGON PINE SPARS AND LUMBER  
Always on Hand.  
L. MALLORY,  
Hongkong, 24th June, 1891. [798]

**Intimations.**

**THE NEW BARNARD GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the STATUTORY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 1, DUNDRELL STREET, TO-MORROW, the 24th instant, at Noon.

**W. HUTTON POTTS,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894. [561]

**THE CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE** will be absent from the office for the purpose of adding the HOUSE TO HOUSE VISITATION of the COLONY. Hours from 7 to 9 A.M. and from 4 to 6 P.M. Persons desirous of affiling their Services, to communicate with the CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE at the CENTRAL STATION and state on what days of the week and at what time, Morning or Evening, they can give their services.

For the Permanent Committee Sanitary Board,  
**JNO. J. FRANCIS.**

Bank Buildings,  
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1894. [1615]

**HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.**

**ORDERS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 26th MAY, 1894.**

No. 88.—The Hongkong Volunteer Corps have been as usual invited to join the QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PARADE on FRIDAY next. The Commandant trusts that all Members will endeavour to be present. Particulars will be published as usual in an express.

No. 89.—The Commandant has been informed by the Honourable the Colonial Secretary that, subject to the exigencies of the service, Government Officers who are Members of the Volunteer Corps will be granted a complete holiday on the SATURDAY in the week of the ANNUAL MOBILIZATION of the Garrison to enable them to take part in the operations.

By Order,  
**F. F. LAMBARDE,**  
Lieut. R.A.,  
Adjutant H.K.V.C.  
Hongkong, 21st May, 1894. [608]

**J. W. KEW & CO'S**  
**STEAM WATER BOATS.**

**PURE FRESH WATER.**

THE attention of SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS and CAPTAINS is called to the Superior Quality of **TYTAM FILTERED WATER** offered by J. W. KEW & Co., also to the advantages derived from their being able to Supply their Water in one-fourth the time occupied by the old fashioned and obsolete hand pumps.

No Impeding the loading or discharging of Cargo.

Call flag "W." Commercial Code.  
**J. W. KEW & Co.,**  
c/o Carmichael & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 9th March, 1894. [684]

**Shipping.**

**STEAMERS.**

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.**

THE Company's Steamship **"HAITAN,"** Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **DOUGLAS LAFAIR & Co.,** General Managers.  
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1894. [614]

**SAILING VESSELS.**

**FOR NEW YORK.**

THE 3/3 L.L.L. American Bark **"EDWARD MAY,"** McClure, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **SHEWAN & Co.**  
Hongkong, 17th March, 1894. [363]

**FOR NEW YORK.**

THE 3/3 L.L.L. American Bark **"ADAM W. SPIES,"** Meyers, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **SHEWAN & Co.**  
Hongkong, 17th April, 1894. [482]

**FOR SAN FRANCISCO.**

THE 400 A. I. British Ship **"MATTERHORN,"** Williams, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **SHEWAN & Co.**  
Hongkong, 12th May, 1894. [573]

**Consignees.**

**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

**NOTICE.**

**CONSIGNEES OF CARGO** per Steamship "PERU."

The above Steamship having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Consignments, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

**J. S. VAN BUREN,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 21st May, 1894. [6]



## Eminations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &amp; CO., LD.

D. C. &amp; Co's

## DISINFECTING FLUID,

Similar to Condy's at quarter the price.

Large bottles.....\$2.50  
Per gallon.....\$2.00

This is a safe and reliable disinfectant and is not poisonous.

NO better preventive against Plague and Disease is possible than a well disinfected house.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1894.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
LIMITED.

## DISINFECTANTS.

## CARBOLIC POWDER.

For the purification of Houses, Cess-pools, Drains, Water-closets, &amp;c., and for the Disinfection of Sick-rooms.

## CARBOLIC ACID.

For Disinfecting Purposes.

Half an ounce (about one table-spoonful) of this Acid when well mixed with one quart of water forms a superior disinfecting and deodorizing fluid.

Half a pint of the Solution thus formed, when added to any vessel used in the Sick-room, will prevent any unpleasant effluvia, and preserve the contents for Medical inspection. It also purifies Drains, Water-closets, &amp;c.

A tea-spoonful of Carbolic Acid exposed on a plate or other vessels in a Sick-room will purify the air and prevent contagion.

## PERMANGANATE DISINFECTANT.

Similar to Condy's but cheaper, 50 cents a quart bottle.

A nice clean disinfectant for Dwelling-rooms and Bath-rooms.

## CAMPHYLENE POWDER.

## CAMPHYLENE BALLS.

## CAMPHYLENE BLOCKS.

## JEVES' POWDER.

## JEVES' FLUID.

## NAPHTHALENE.

## QUICKLIME.

## IZAL.

## CONDY'S FLUID.

## CONDY'S POWDER.

## SANTAS POWDER.

## SANTAS FLUID.

At the present time disinfectants ought to be used freely by all.

All disinfectants used on the higher levels of the city will, in addition, to purifying the house drains in which they are used, beneficially affect the condition of the drains on the lower levels, and should be used freely.

Further information can be obtained by personal application to

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
Hongkong, 16th May, 1894.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 1894.

## THE GOVERNMENT AND CHINESE OBSTRUCTIONISTS.

SINCE Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON assumed the responsibilities of Governor of this colony in 1891, it has frequently been the unpleasant duty of the *Hongkong Telegraph* to adversely criticize—often to forcibly condemn—many of the measures initiated by his Excellency, but at the same time we have never been niggard in praise when our judgment and lengthened experience of the peculiar local conditions of Hongkong justified us in supporting his policy. And never, perhaps, have the sentiments of the Government and the *Telegraph* been more in accord than in the determined, but still fair and square stand which his Excellency has taken in regard to the petulant, ignorant and nonsensical revolt of a section of the Chinese community against the absolutely necessary sanitary precautions taken for stamping out the plague which has been raging in the more densely populated localities of the colony for some weeks past.

The *Telegraph* has never yet failed to champion the cause of the Chinese or any other of the "popularly" despised sections of the community so long as they had Right on their side and Justice was denied them. And in connection with the present juncture it is no exaggeration, nor breach of confidence to make known here, that we have been solicited by some of the most influential and best-known sections of the business community of the island, to protest against the house-to-house visits of the Sanitary authorities, claiming that the sacred privacy of native domestic life was being violated, that

unnecessary force was being used by the subordinate officials and much needless misery and discomfort were being inflicted on them. The urgent necessity for enforcing these sanitary measures, against which they so bitterly complained, was explained, but Chinese prejudice, begotten of will or the wisp wisdom and added to by centuries of ever-growing ignorance, is not easily overcome. Reason would not be listened to nor well-meant advice taken. The Chinese would resist—defy, if necessary, the introduction of Western notions which to them were unpalatable! Rumours of the fiendish doings of foreign doctors were put in circulation and some of the leading discontents gave a practical illustration of the fomenting indignation by attacking and maltreating one of the most enlightened Chinese gentlemen in the community, because he had been found guilty of sympathizing with and assisting in the promulgation of alleged nefarious foreign ideas for the suppression of an epidemic which was daily thinning the population of Tai-ping-shan and other classic regions of the island of Fragrant Streams! Hence it is that the *Telegraph* takes particular pleasure in commending and supporting the spirited line of action decided on and lucidly expressed by Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON to a deputation of Chinese citizens that waited on him yesterday. The theory that consideration and forbearance are qualities which when exercised by the strong towards the weak reflect naught but honor and credit on the power exercising them, does not often hold good in the Orient. Here they are construed into thinly veiled admissions of weakness. Prompt and energetic action saves no end of trouble in the long run, and upon the firm attitude which he has determined to assume, both the Governor and the community generally are to be congratulated.

The terms of this vile disease were either brought into the colony by Chinese from Canton or were incubated in the foul dens existing in the Chinese quarter, and because necessary sanitary laws are introduced, the value of which their ignorance and prejudice will not allow them to examine or consider for one moment, a number of Chinese who have hitherto enjoyed all the rights of citizenship on British soil, rise up and threaten violence! Liberty of speech and action are the glorious privileges of all who seek shelter under the British flag, but when liberty runs riot and becomes licence, that privilege ceases and lawful authority must be asserted at any cost. Luckily the local authorities have ample material at their command to enforce the law, and without the shadow of a doubt this will be done even at the point of the bayonet should circumstances render it necessary. We do not for one moment imagine that the Chinese community will be so foolish as to court such drastic action, but it is well that they should know the Government is prepared and will, when necessary, enforce whatever laws are deemed essential to the welfare of the colony, not only at the cost of Chinese pride and prejudice, but of human lives, when milder measures fail. Hundreds, if not thousands, of the more wealthy classes are clearing out daily, and it is fondly hoped in Chinese quarters that this exodus will open the eyes of the Government to the risk it is running in depopulating the island and cause it to rescind its objectionable sanitary enactment! Pure Chinese reasoning this with a vengeance. However, the most probable outlet for their stupid resentment will be in organising strikes among the working classes with a view to crippling trade; indeed, a hint in this direction may be gathered from the conduct of the water population to-day. The owners of cargo-boats and other craft have discontinued work, much to the inconvenience of shipping, but ignorance and superstition may be responsible for this rather than preconcerted plans. Still it behoves the Government to remain firm and its executive officers to be particularly on the *qui vive*, so that necessary precautions may be taken at any moment to prevent the occurrence of serious trouble.

## TELEGRAMS.

## MANCHESTER CANAL.

LONDON, May 21st.  
The Manchester Ship Canal was officially opened yesterday by Majesty the Queen. Immense enthusiasm was displayed on all sides, and the Mayors of Manchester and Salford, and Mr. Joseph Leigh, Member of Parliament for Stockport, were knighted.

## ANARCHISTS IN FRANCE.

Paris, 21st.  
Hend, the anarchist, has been guillotined in Paris, and six other anarchists implicated in the outrage at the Liceo Theatre, Barcelona, have been shot.

## RUSSIAN POLITICS.

Political arrests continue to be made in Russia.

## AUSTRO-RUSSIAN TREATY.

The commercial treaty between Austria and Russia has been concluded.

## TROUBLE IN SERVIA.

The King has suspended the Constitution, owing to the Court of Appeal having quashed an unpopular Royal decree, annulling the banishment of his Majesty's parents.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

OVER sixty Tokyo barristers are said to have joined forces with the anti-foreign agitators. It is expected that the Exchange Bank of Japan, with a capital of yen 10,000,000, will shortly be established.

A REGULAR Convocation of St. Andrew's Chapter, No. 218, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8 for 8.30 o'clock precisely. Visiting companions are cordially invited.

THE *Hyogo* reports that owing to a mistaken economy in police expenditure last year by the Prefectural Assembly, the province of Gumsu suffered heavily from burglars. One house was entered 18 times, and 18 women were assaulted and murdered. A statistician says there was one burglar for every three houses.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s royal mail steamer *Empress of India* arrived at Vancouver at 3 p.m. yesterday.

THE Agents (Messrs D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Arratoon* after, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port this afternoon.

AN Emergency meeting of Zealand Lodge, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, to-morrow, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THE P. & O. boat *Mantla*, in leaving the Kowloon wharf to-day, bound for Shanghai, was caught by the tide and grounded alongside the Praya, where she will probably have to remain until to-night's high tide.

It is reported that a Chinese junk, with about four hundred passengers from Hongkong on board (escaping from the plague), captured and sank yesterday in the Cape Horn Pass. No reliable details have yet come to hand.

Editor of *Snail*—What's the latest about town?

Sub.—Everybody is 'going for' the Government for not cleaning the streets. Shall I touch the matter up a bit?

Editor.—Oh dear, no! Do you want us to lose any more advertisements? I think editorial on the "Goodness of Providence" will satisfy everybody.

A SCURRY Race Meeting, comprising four events, under the auspices of the Fokien Race Club, was fixed to take place at Fookchow today afternoon tea time, and was provided for visitors, in addition to the seductive Totalisator on a \$3 basis. It is about time the promoters of the Hongkong Polo Club Sky Meetings were again 'on the job,' as the course is in excellent order for training, and the sporting public are wearying for an afternoon's healthy amusement.

THE Sanitary Board will meet on Thursday, May 24th, at 4.15 p.m. Orders of the day for the Draft Estimates for the year 1895. Report by the sanitary surveyor upon a complaint by Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co. of an offensive smell in the neighbourhood of their office. Agenda.—1. Mortality returns for weeks ended the 12th and 19th May, 1894. 2. Colonial Veterinary Surgeon's report upon the advisability of slaughtering cattle at Pokfulam. 3. Application for permission to erect water closets upon Marine Lot 103, 13, Queen's Road Central.

CAUTION.—Seems to be carried to excess in Macao, judging by the manner in which an "infected" coolie sprang ashore from the *Huangshan* this morning and pranced along the Praya, making a bee-line for a junk bound for the Holy City. He was, it appears, prevented from landing at Macao yesterday because he was a little feverish, and was therefore confined to the boat of the *Huangshan*, where he didn't develop any symptoms of the plague, but rather of madness—"mad" because the Macao medical authorities wouldn't allow him to go on his way rejoicing.

THUS the N. C. Daily News—The Kolao Hol trouble in Hainan has been satisfactorily quashed, and the soldiers sent forward to the island are returning again. The outbreak occurred in the district of Pekingfong—the home of Liu, the Viceroy of Nanking—at a small place called Wukang, and is said to have been due to the over-zealous action of a military official in apprehending so many members of this Society, that the brethren would stand it no longer, but assembled in force and attacked him. The soldiers found no difficulty in restoring order, but it is reported that several of the heads have fallen. The plain truth of the matter probably is that the people have been driven into retaliation by unbearable official oppression, and have been crushed in the remorseless fashion which usually prevails when the mandarins are the parties attacked. To call the victims Kolao Hol, of course, justifies the slaughter of any number of them.

THE Hon. T. H. Whitehead left this afternoon for home, via Japan and Canada, by the Canadian Pacific Co.'s liner *Empress of Japan*. A large concourse of Mr. Whitehead's friends, including most of the leading residents of this colony, had assembled at Padder's Wharf to bid him "good bye," many of whom accompanied him to the ship, and the Hon. T. H. Whitehead, a gentleman, during his short leave of absence from duty, intends doing all he can to further the interests he has so ably advocated in the Legislative Council, as special agent of the Chamber of Commerce, and general representative of Hongkong, and we heartily wish him every success in his mission. By the way, it was a matter of rather unfavorable comment that the Hon. T. H. Whitehead, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, was conspicuous by his absence this forenoon. However, the vice-Chairman, Mr. Edwin Mackintosh, did the honours for the Chamber to their departing member with characteristic courtesy and discretion.

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(5) Was the defendant in possession of the shares in question on 31st August, 1892, and was he then dealing with them as his own?

The jury decided the third and fifth questions in the affirmative, and the rest in the negative.

This concluded the present stage of the proceedings, and the case will now move for judgment on these findings.

TWO large sharks, each about twelve feet in length, were sighted by officers of the Chinese Imperial Customs Service yesterday in the Lyceum-moon Pass, steering straight as a dart for Hongkong harbour. Although sharks have up to date given no trouble in the waters of the colony, it will perhaps be wise on the part of bathers to run no unnecessary risks for the present.

It is worthy of note that at the present time the major portion of the crowds of passengers to Canton and Macao are women and children, many of the former being the wives of wealthy Chinese. Can it be that house-to-house visitations constitute the cause of this remarkable exodus, or are we on the verge of having a tug-of-war between Chinese and Europeans, pulled off here in a somewhat novel manner, and that therefore the women and children are being packed off to places of security and seclusion with the utmost speed possible? *Rescript*—Let the responsible authorities take note and investigate to due time.

It is reported from the North that some coal miners, while exploring in the district of Hing-koo-chou, Anhui, at the end of last month, having come across an old shaft in which there happened to be a number of dead bodies, apparently miners suddenly cut off from the upper world by the collapse of the mine not less than 400 years ago, were so scared that they fled in haste, and were not returned until at once gave up further exploration, filling in the hole which revealed the gruesome sight. Although the coal deposits were reported to be especially rich, the superstition of the miners was too much, and a good mine has thus been lost to the proprietors. The dead bodies are said to have been free from decay and the features quite natural, but no sooner had the fact been ascertained than the bodies and clothing suddenly crumbled away, leaving nothing but skeletons.

In order to avoid a repetition of the disasters to the boating population occasioned by the recent sudden rise of the tides and influx of waters in the Han and Siang rivers, which happened a short time ago, the local authorities at Hanyang sent Hankow to the city of Siangyang, Hopei, to put marking poles along the banks of the Siang river to indicate any sudden rise of its waters. If any such rise occur, the telegraph people, who have men on the watch night and day, are to telegraph at once down to the *yamen* of the local military *Tai-ti* or First Captain at Hankow, apprising the authorities of the fact. He immediately upon receipt of the telegram, soldiers with flags and gongs are to line the banks of the river, and warn the people in the junks and boats assembled on either side at Hanyang and Hankow to get out of danger at once, be it day or night.

## SUPREME COURT.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. G. White, Acting Puisne Judge.)  
May 23rd.

THE WAY OF LAWYERS' CLERKS.  
Chun Ching Po v. Chai Chai for \$365, balance of money due for work done. Mr. L. Denny was for the plaintiff, and Mr. A. J. Leach, Q.C., instructed by Mr. C. D. Wilkinson, was for the defendant.

Mr. Denny said that Chai Chai had been very anxious to secure the arrest of Cheung Hing Tung, defendant in suit 61 of 1893, for the recovery of the court had granted a warrant; and Chai Chai offered Chun Ching Po \$500 to secure the arrest. The terms were stated in a letter signed by Chai Chai. The arrest was accordingly effected, and \$35 of the \$500 reward was paid over. Cheung, however, gave security, and subsequently obtained an order to have it returned to him, so that the arrest was ineffectual. Then Chai Chai refused to pay the rest of the \$500 promised, hence this suit.

Mr. Leach stated that the defendant alleged that the agreement was obtained by false pretences. The plaintiff and two other men came to the defendant and said that his solicitor, Mr. Wilkinson, advised him to offer this reward, otherwise the man would escape. The three men had a letter, apparently the one mentioned by Mr. Denny, and Chai Chai signed it, believing the story of the lawyer's advice. He now found that it was nothing but a scheme made up by the three men to get the money out of him and divide it among them.

Mr. Denny:—I understand that Mr. Grist of Mr. Wilkinson's office, drafted the letter, and that it was copied by a clerk in the office.

After hearing the evidence his lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff, with costs, but expressed the opinion that the circumstances of the case were very suspicious, especially the fact that Mr. Wilkinson's clerk was to get half the plunder.

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## THE PLAGUE IN HONGKONG.

In our yesterday's issue we published an *exposé* of the baseless nature of the rumours current among the Chinese bearing upon the alleged maltreatment of patients in the floating and Lap-sap-wan branch hospitals. This was done with a view to giving the lie direct to certain mischievous Chinese agitators who have unscrupulously preyed upon the credulity and ignorance of the lower orders of their countrymen for reasons which, there is good ground for believing, are the reverse of creditable. It was at these mischievous native agitators we were aiming, for it was the Chinese who up to that time were solely to blame for the necessary scourge created among their countrymen. Now, however, we have to deal with a foreign journal, the *Daily Press*, to which this morning gives publicity to a baseless rumour that the *Sanitary Board* for several days past has been "reached him at too late an hour for any inquiries to be made respecting the truth or otherwise of the allegation." The allegation is published in the *Daily Press*, thus:—

ALLIED SINGULAR AND FATAL MISTAKE.  
A correspondent writes:—"Is it a fact that a Chinese woman was sent on board the *Hyogo* by the Chinese authorities, and that she was suffering from the plague, but which proved to be a case of pregnancy? And is it true that the mistake was not found out until it was too late to save the child's life? This tale told to me by my servants, and two of them have left my employ in a terrible fright to take their wives out of the colony."

It is wise to ascertain the truth or otherwise of the mischievous report, then why, in the name of all that is noble, did not our weak-kneed contemporary hold over his important "news" for a day or two? And supposing it had been true, was it, in our semi-official colleague's opinion, discreet at the present juncture to publish such a grave accusation? As a matter of fact, however, it is a tissue of barefaced and ill-considered falsehoods, the fact being that the pregnant wife of a coolie died of plague pure and simple while an inmate of one of the branch hospitals.

The natives under treatment in the Kennedy-town and floating hospitals evince the deepest gratitude towards the nursing Sisters, ward-masters and medical men in constant attendance upon them, and it is worthy of mention that while a representative of this journal was going the rounds of the Kennedy-town hospital this morning he observed one of the female patients, who was now almost out of danger, kiss the hand of Sister Gertrude, who addressed a few words of comfort to her to faultless Cantonese. And so it was in all the wards—those who were well enough to rise in their beds and speak evinced the greatest pleasure and heartfelt gratitude at seeing the Sister once more by their bedside. Several of the patients were it may be added, advanced towards perfect recovery, the fever previously at 102 and 103 being down to 99 or thereabouts when our reporter left the premises at 8 o'clock this morning.

The Kennedy-town and floating hospitals are scrupulously clean, well ventilated, the medical attendance constant and thoroughly efficient, and the staff of nurses and ward-masters all that could possibly be desired. Indeed, so far from the patients not being properly cared for, the very reverse is the case, ward-masters Cummins of the Lunatic Asylum and several ward-masters and Sisters on the permanent staff of the Government Civil Hospital being on special duty at the branch hospitals. The Glass Works Hospital is not nearly so well adapted for the treatment of this malignant disease as are the European institutions above-named, and the employees of the Tung Wah Hospital are exhibiting culpable negligence in the matter of the burial of the dead which is nothing short of disgusting, not to say revolting. Instead of having a large staff of grave-diggers and coffin-bearers constantly employed in disposing of the numerous victims of the plague as promptly and decently as possible, it is a fact that no less than thirty-four coffins, containing corpses, passed out of the Glass Works Pest-house, and were this morning scattered about the improvised cemetery at Lap-sap-wan awaiting interment; the anguish of the relatives of the deceased being intensified by the slipshod burial methods to which the dead are so unwisely subjected.

As far as the burial of the dead from the Government institutions is concerned, Mr. Dougherty, the overseer in charge, is executing very difficult work with as much despatch as possible, but instead of having 150 coffins at his disposal, his staff should, as at present, be tied by any Chinese contractors or undertrappers attached to the Sanitary Board. The harvest of corpses is unfortunately, very plentiful but the labourers are few, and it is only too evident that the time for purposeless parleying has passed and that the hour has arrived when the health and best interests of the masses demand that the important matter of the burial of the dead should be undertaken by the government and be carried out with the utmost despatch and in a civilized manner. It is all very well, in its way, to allow the Chinese to treat their people in their own peculiar way, but to allow them to strew evil-smelling coffins about public thoroughfares and in the immediate vicinity of squatters' huts and the Kennedy-town Hospital is suicidal folly which should be stopped by force if necessary.

The exodus of Chinese, chiefly women and children, from Hongkong to Canton is going on apace, every outgoing steamer being crowded with refugees who are simply going from the frying pan into the fire at the bidding of a handful of demagogues of the most despicable description. A placard has been posted all over the city of Canton warning the people not to go to Hongkong, and stating that their wives and children ran the risk of being chopped up by foreign doctors, who make medicine out of their bones and eyes.

This document has had the effect of greatly reducing the number of passengers carried by the Canton steamers to Hongkong.

For the following returns we are indebted to the Committee of the Sanitary Board:—  
Total number of deaths from the outbreak up to date, 321.

Total deaths from noon yesterday to 5.30 this afternoon, 29.

Number of patients now under treatment in the hospitals, 71; showing a slight decrease as compared with the previous returns.

## THREATENED STRIKE IN THE COLONY.

During the day some hundreds of Chinese cargo-boats went over to Yan-mai and Sam-sui-po to lie up, having "struck work"; and many steamers have in consequence been unable to work cargo. The pretext chiefly advanced for this move is that the Chinese boat-people object to being called on to convey dead bodies from the *Hyogo* to the burial ground at Lap-sap-wan. That objection can be easily met, for though some cargo-boats have been requisitioned for this duty, it will not be at all difficult to dispense with their services, by getting European boats. Another plea urged by the lighter-men is that they wish to avoid the plague by keeping as far as possible away from the centre of the town and if they persist in this, it will be a serious matter, for they can hardly be compelled to return as long as the danger exists. There is, however, a suspicion that the movement is due to the usual dodge of the Chinese, when they wish to "blame the authorities." Whenever there has been any conflict of opinion between the native population and the Government, the same old game has been played every time—a strike, especially in the shipping business, paralysing the trade of the port; and the "foreigners" are not to be

once knuckle down the next move is to close all the shops; and the next, to begin throwing bricks about the streets. The Chinese are ignorant and dangerous, but the Government has to take the Chinese into account. It is to be feared the Chinese are not the only ones who have become quite a little bit of a plague for ever, and its grave danger to the colony is merely caused by fear of the epidemic. Nothing much can be done, except to work as hard as possible to clear the colony of the disease and its filthy causes, and meanwhile curb and enforce law to suffer, and we must grin and bear it, and vow never to allow it to happen again. But if, on the other hand, there is a sequel, such as closing of shops and closing in the streets we shall know that the Chinese intend to defy the British authorities, and that the Tung Wah and Po Leung Kuk committees, instead of cordially co-operating with the Government in the cleansing and disinfecting of China town, are permitting or even encouraging the lower classes to break out in open rebellion. In that case, so much as the head off for want of work; there are two gunboats off the Naval Yard, the *Firebrand* and the *Linnet*, and two reserve ships at Kowloon the *Tweed* and *Weymouth*, and it would be the very first thing for the health of the Colony to have "Taping-shan completely obliterated." The Chinese say that gunpower is a fine disinfectant, and perhaps they may find it so sooner than will be altogether agreeable; but anyhow, a serious crisis has arisen in the history of Hongkong, and it must be openly faced and summarily dealt with without further palaver. The *Hongkong Telegraph* has always stood up for the liberal and impartial treatment of our Chinese fellow-subjects, and even now we would fearlessly expose their cause if right were on their side, but as they are entirely wrong both in fact and principle, and show arrogance, insolence and aggressiveness where they owe consideration, duty and obedience, only one course can be honestly advocated by the true friends of the colony. This is a British settlement and all those within its limits must loyally conform to British laws and government, or take the inevitable consequences. To be no more to be "Chinese" is Hongkong British or Chinese? That is the question, and there is no doubt as to the answer, the answer Governor Robinson takes due measures to assert his authority and crush an alien conspiracy, the better will it be for all concerned.

Later enquiries show that during the day cargo-boats became more and more difficult to obtain for the various steamship lines, and it is feared that there will be none at all available to-morrow. The real reason for the strike is now declared; the cargo-shifters of most of the firms agree that it is the official search for epidemic cases among the water population that is resented. The new emergency will have to be dealt with firmly, as the blockade of the port is already partly paralysed by the quarantine regulations of other ports, etc., it will now make little difference to it what happens for the next week or two; and so we may as well fight out, once for all, the old question whether this is a British Colony or a chaotically independent republic of Chinese coolies.

## "THE IRONMASTER" AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

It is both pleasing and profitable to peep into the inner life of these actors in the literary and dramatic world who are, to say the least, rich and to place at the cause of their popularity. Such speculations frequently afford more important results than the mere gratification of curiosity. This often leads to a clearer perception of the true tests of genius and indicates the principle







street of the city. A passer-by took advantage of his condition to rob him, and walked off with a bundle of notes. Using some of them shortly afterwards to make some purchases, they were discovered by the shopkeeper to be forged. The man was caught, badly-beaten and threatened with being handed over to the authorities as a forger, and he only escaped by the people believing his story as to how he became possessed of them.

The bones of Kuan Monastery have brought an action against certain natives in the vicinity of their property, for having opened a grave and taken a dead body to bury, without their permission. The defence of the villagers is that the ground belongs to them, and they are most indignant that the Monastery should claim it. The case is not yet settled, but it has created much ill-feeling against the priests, who for the time being it is prudent not to venture beyond the limits of their own domain.

A fire broke out in a house over the Long Bridge, in a street called Po-sing-ling, on Wednesday morning last, the flames spreading so rapidly that over a hundred houses were destroyed before they could be got under. The cause of the disaster is unknown. The property being chiefly small shops and dwelling houses, the loss was not in the aggregate very heavy, although of course of moment to the individual occupants, so many being rendered homeless. Fortunately no lives were lost.

Last month we reported that a stop had been put upon the issue of 10, 20 and 30 cents notes by the Tai-tung bank. Since then we hear that the pawn-shop proprietors have petitioned the Victoria to have more copper cash coined, as there is clearly insufficient in circulation. In his reply his Excellency states that the report furnished him does not agree with the assertion of the petitioners as to there being a scarcity of coins, that the coining of copper cash is somewhat expensive, and that he cannot order the minting of more until he finds that it is absolutely necessary. At the same time his Excellency ordered the magistrates to redouble their vigilance to prevent the forgery of spurious cash, and the magistrate and sub-magistrate have issued further notices ordering that none but genuine copper cash is to be considered legal tender. Any person attempting to pass spurious cash will be severely punished.—Echo.

### Today's Advertisements.



#### THE PLAGUE.

THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE of the SANITARY BOARD APPEAL to all HOUSEHOLDERS in the COLONY, but more especially to the EUROPEAN, AMERICAN, and other NON-CHINESE RESIDENTS to give prompt attention to the state of their KITCHENS, COOK-HOUSES, SERVANTS' QUARTERS, and OUT-OF-DOORS GENERAL RALLY, to have them thoroughly CLEANSED and WHITEWASHED without delay, and then to make a DAILY VISIT and INSPECTION. If these precautions are regularly observed, with the use of DISINFECTANTS in the DRAINS, there is absolutely NO DANGER of the PLAGUE establishing itself in the European quarters of the City. There may be isolated cases among the Chinese Servants and Coolies who have become infected elsewhere, but no dangerous consequences can follow. It is not possible for the Sanitary Staff, largely reinforced though it has been from the Army, Navy and Police, to undertake the work of Cleaning and Disinfecting outside the Chinese quarters of the City, but on notice to Mr. RAM, Acting Sanitary Superintendent, at the Board's Office, arrangements will be made for the prompt removal of all accumulations of Rubbish and Filth.

The Committee urge upon ALL HOUSEHOLDERS the importance and necessity of their AT ONCE acting on this advice.

For the Permanent Committee  
Sanitary Board,  
JNO. J. FRANCIS.

Bank Buildings,  
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894. [619]

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 195.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from STONECUTTERS' ISLAND, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, between the hours of 9 A.M. and NOON. The Line of Fire will be in Western and South-westerly directions.

All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the ranges.

By Command,  
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 19th May, 1894. [616]

#### AUCTION SALE

OF  
MISCELLANEOUS PROPERTY,  
POSTAGE STAMPS, &c., &c.

AT  
SALE ROOMS, 17, PRAYA CENTRAL,  
ON  
SATURDAY next, May 26th, 1894.

AT 2.30 P.M.,  
Comprising—  
3,000 POSTAGE STAMPS, POST CARDS,  
AND A LARGE QUANTITY OF  
MISCELLANEOUS PROPERTY.

See Expresses.  
A. E. SKEELS & Co.,  
Auctioneers, &c.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894. [617]

#### NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

##### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "MOGUL,"  
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA  
AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Consignment, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894. [614]

### Intimations.

#### DAIRY PRODUCE!

## THE HONGKONG DAIRY

(ESTABLISHED 1871.)  
GARDEN ROAD, AND CAUSEWAY BAY.

FRESH MILK,  
FRESH BUTTER,

CREAM,  
CREAM CHEESE AND  
NEW LAID EGGS.

ALWAYS ON HAND FOR CASH, OR TO ORDER.  
MILK FROM ONE COW FOR BABIES, BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.  
NONE BUT THE FRESHEST AND BEST SUPPLIED.

ADDRESS:—

J. KENNEDY,

PROPRIETOR,  
GARDEN ROAD,  
[59]

Hongkong, 26th April, 1894.

### Today's Advertisements.

#### ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER.

HONGKONG, No. 218, S.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 23rd instant, at 8 for 8.30 o'clock precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894. [606]

#### ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 525.

A N.E.M.E.R.G.E.N.C.Y. MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-MORROW, the 24th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894. [618]

#### HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SATURDAY, MAY 26TH, 1894.

COMPETITION, SHORT RANGE CUP  
AND SPOONS; Ranges 100 and 500 yards;  
Seven Shots at each distance. Entrance fee,  
30 cents.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN,  
Honorary Secretary.  
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894. [646]

#### FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.

THE Company's Steamship

"HIROSHIMA MARU,"

Captain C. A. Anderson, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894. [603]

#### Amusements.

##### THEATRE ROYAL.

##### MRS. POTTER

##### AND

##### MR. BELLEW

Begin to announce that they will be able to give  
TWO MORE PERFORMANCES—  
TO-MORROW

(THURSDAY), May 24th.

"THE LADY OF LYONS,"

SATURDAY, May 26th.

"SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL"

Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Ltd.  
PRICES AS USUAL.  
Commencing at 10 o'clock.

Late Trains after Performance.  
T. V. TWINNING, Manager.  
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1894. [604]

#### THE HARMSTONS' GREAT SPECIALTY COMPANY.

THE famous HARMSTONS' CIRCUS will for the present postpone the GREAT CIRCUS REVIVAL until a later period, and on the arrival of the Steamer conveying the Company to Shanghai, will give

TWO SPECIAL PERFORMANCES

IN THE  
CITY HALL.

Introducing the grandest Vaudeville Entertainment ever given in Hongkong.

ALL GREAT ARTISTES.

Mlle. LE BLONDE,  
La Premiere Danseuse at La Scala, Milan,  
Clique Nouvelle, Paris, and Sir Augustus Harris' Pantomime of 1884 at Drury Lane. The most graceful Dancer and Rider in the World.

THE FAMOUS ACKERLYS,  
None to equal them as Acrobats and Gymnasts.

GRONKOR, THE STEWARTS, JOHNNIE,  
Grotches Musical Clowns, the Artists

Wonders of Europe.

Mlle. OUDINA,  
The accomplished tragedienne, youth and beauty,  
combined with grace and daring, have earned her fame.

First appearance in the East,  
Miss MAUD LISLE,  
The versatile Dancer and Vocalist.

WHIMSICAL TOMMY,  
Musical Clown and Jester.

THE ROMAN BROTHERS,  
Woodward, Eldred, and Johnnie,  
Accomplished Gymnasts.

PEPINO AND DUMMIE,  
The Kings of Laughter.

HARMSTONS' GRAND ORCHESTRA  
AND  
Miss NELLIE BAILEY, Miss BLANCHE,  
Miss NAVARRO, Miss L. BOVIS.

THE TOMI KITCHI TROUPE.  
AND  
Leo Hernandez, C. Bruce, F. Dupas,  
P. Klanto.

and the People's Favorite,  
Mr. ROBERT LOVE,  
In his Budget of Songs.

THE DALE BROTHERS,  
American Minors.

Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Ltd.

R. LOVE  
CHAS. B. HICKS, General Representative,  
S. REICH, General Representative.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1894. [605]

### Masonic.



#### VICTORIA PRECEPTORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the VICTORIA PRECEPTORY will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Knights are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1894. [611]

### Hotels.

#### PEAK HOTEL.

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 250 feet above sea-level, has just been thoroughly redecorated, renovated and refurnished, and a NEW WING has been built, which commands magnificent Views of the Harbour and inland of China.

#### SUMMER RATES.

(FROM MAY 1ST TO OCTOBER 31st.)

One person, per day, ..... \$ 4.00

One person, per week, ..... 25.00

One person, per month, ..... from \$70 85.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per day, ..... 7.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per week, ..... 45.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per month, ..... from \$120 140.00

For further particulars, apply to  
MANAGER,  
Victoria Hotel.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1894. [612]

#### FUJIYA HOTEL.

MIYANOSHITA,  
HAKONE.

Four and a half hours from Yokohama.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION.  
NATURAL HOT SPRING.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT IN ALL THE BUILDINGS.

TWO ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES.

EXCELLENT CUISINE.

SPECIAL RATES MADE FOR A PROLONGED STAY.

S. N. YAMAUCHI,  
Proprietor.

#### To be Let.

##### TO BE LET

NO. 5, WILD DELL BUILDINGS  
(Furnished or Unfurnished), or Good  
Rooms situated in the best part of the Island.  
Apply to  
HUMPHREYS, ESTEY AND  
FINANCE CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1894. [599]

##### TO LET.

NOS. 5, 7 & 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE,  
OFFICES in Victoria Building.

THE GROUND FLOOR of the premises  
now in course of erection at the corner of Ice  
House Street and Queen's Road Central is  
available for OFFICES or SHOWS. The Premises  
are divided into separate suites of OFFICES  
necessary to suit intending Tenants.

A LARGE AND DRY GODOWN for the  
Storage of Opium, Cotton, &c., and about  
2,000 Tons (gross) capacity, also to let under  
the above Premises.

OFFICE in No. 4, Praya Central,  
No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.

DAVID BASSENGO, Sole Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1894. [622]

##### TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES:—  
"HIGHERCLERE," at Margutap.  
No. 1, RIPPON TERRACE,  
FLOORS in Blue Buildings,  
FLOORS in Eight Street, 1 Street  
& 2nd-Station Street,  
FLOORS in No. 4, Shelley St.,  
No. 3, VICTORIA VIEW, Hongkong.

OFFICES  
FIRST FLOOR No. 4, Queen's Road  
Central, over the Bank China,  
Japan and the Straits,  
PRAYA CENTRAL, over Mrs. Douglas Laprak & Co.'s

GODOWNS:—  
BLUE BUILDINGS.  
Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT  
& AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1894. [623]

##### TO LET.

NGAI SHANG,  
No. QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

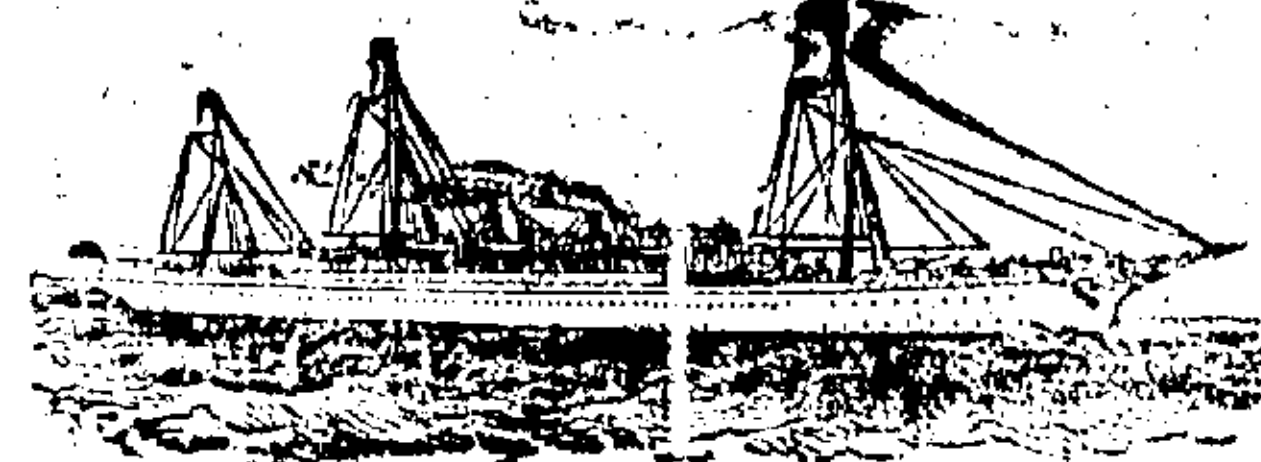
RATTAN FURNITURE  
of Every Description,  
CHAIRS, COUCHES, TABLES, BEDS,  
CHILDREN'S COTS, &c., &c.  
Latest Patterns, Best Workmanship.

Rattan Cove, Spill-Rattan, Cantonese and  
Bamboo of all kinds.  
Hongkong, 28th November, 1893. [625]

### Marine.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

1894.



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#### SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)  
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

#### PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 13th June.

EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 4th July.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 25th July.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan.

EXCURSION TICKETS to San Francisco Midwinter Fair, CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months, £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Line passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information; Maps, Guide-Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Pedder's Street. [3]

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894.

### OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgia (via Amoy, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ..... Thursday, 24th May, at 1 P.M.

Oceanic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ..... Tuesday, 22nd June, at 1 P.M.

Gaile (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ..... Tuesday, 3rd July, at 1 P.M.

THE Steamship "BELGIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via AMOY, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 24th May, at 1 P.M. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.  
Hongkong, 23rd May 1894. [615]

#### FOR SALE.

JAPAN HAND-MADE PAPERS:

JAPAN PRINTING PAPERS.

JAPAN COVING PAPERS.

JAPAN WALL PAPERS.

&c., &c., &c.

PRICES VERY MODERATE.

ORDERS respectfully solicited by the Under-  
signed.

MITSUBI BUSSAN KAISHA,  
No. QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1894. [600]

### Marine.

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

### PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sikh ..... Tuesday ..... May 29th.

Victoria ..... Tuesday ..... June 19th.

Tacoma ..... Tuesday ..... July 17th.

Sikh ..... Tuesday ..... August 7th.

Victoria ..... Tuesday ..... August 28th.

THE Steamship "SIKH,"

Captain J. Rowley, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 29th May, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast